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Greetings,

Earlier this week, Fathi Bashagha took the legal oath as Prime Minister of Libya before the House of Representatives at its headquarters in Tobruk. In light of this development, I am sharing two things with you.

First, attached is a letter from the Prime Minister Designate about his plans for Libya to ensure it remains on a solid democratic path.

Second, a series of tweets sent by the Prime Minister Designate demonstrating his commitment to Ukraine and its allies in the face of Russia's attack.

*[1/3](#) In #Ukraine, the world is witnessing yet another conflict and civilians are the ones paying the price. #Libya is a great example that conflict leads nowhere and Peace can only be achieved through dialogue. I pray for the safety of civilians and an end to this conflict.*

*[2/3](#) Russia's attack is a clear violation of international law and the sovereignty of a democratic Ukraine. I urge respect for state sovereignty and the decisions of its elected authorities. This authority should be respected, not suppressed.*

*[3/3](#) This conflict has global impacts that must be addressed. Libya is committed to supporting and stabilizing energy sources, and security in the Mediterranean.*

If we can provide you with any additional information or connect you with the Minister's team, please don't hesitate to ask.

Thanks,

Jo Maney

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Prime Minister Office

**Dear Members of Congress,**

As we watch the unfolding of events in Ukraine, I feel for our Ukrainian brothers and sisters. My country has experienced Russian influence in our own domestic politics over recent years, which has no doubt added to the obfuscation and division in Libya. I share the view of many that Russia's attack on Ukraine is a clear violation of international law and the sovereignty of a democratic Ukraine.

As I take on the role of Prime Minister of Libya this week, we look toward a better future not just for Libya but for the entire world. I stand with the U.S. in support of Ukraine's state sovereignty. I will be taking immediate steps to help stabilize energy sources and security in our region.

More broadly, we must move beyond the grievances of the past and build a better future together. Moving forward, my government will be focused on three critical priorities – elections, economic stability and opportunity, and international cooperation.

First, let me state clearly that my government will ensure that an election WILL happen in the next year. We will use the year ahead to work with the international community to put in place the processes and infrastructure needed to ensure a fair and transparent election process. This is not just about the mechanics of the election but also about ensuring the political process can move forward without interference or interruption. We have much work to do but I believe it can be done. I am committed to seeing it done.

Second, we will take the necessary steps to ensure stability in our country. A more stable Libya will be a successful and prosperous Libya for all its citizens. This involves stabilizing our economy as well as our security situation. Key to both is maximizing our nation's oil and gas supply.

Third, as the world watches what is happening in Ukraine, we must be mindful of how a conflict in Europe can disrupt the global oil and gas supply. Libya is positioned well to alleviate some of these disruptions. My government will prioritize reinvigorating production and distribution of oil and gas in the immediate term.

Finally, my government will seek to be a strong member of the international community, both seeking support from trusted partners and allies to support these important goals and providing support to our friends and allies in their times of need.

I know that Libya has an important role to play in our region and the world. I also know that our greatest resource – our people – must be empowered to ensure our full potential as a secure and stable force for good is met. And I know that we cannot do this alone – our allies in the United States and around the world have helped get us here. We will be forever grateful for that.

Our path forward will not be easy, but it is a path we must take. I am committed to walking that path, and to remaining a strong partner to our friends abroad.

Thank you and I look forward to working with you to achieve these important goals.

Sincerely,

Prime Minister Fathi Bashagha